

JAMES R. REEVES
(REFERRED TO AS THOMAS REEVES)

LUTZ, FLORIDA 33559

June 25, 2004

Brant Levine
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, Northwest
Washington, D.C. 20463

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FEDERAL ELECTION
COMMISSION
OFFICE OF GENERAL
COUNSEL
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Re: MUR 5454 (James R. Reeves referred to as
(Thomas Reeves)

Dear Mr. Levine:

Please accept this letter as my response to your letter of June 1, 2004 regarding a complaint filed with the Federal Elections Commission.

Please be advised that a similar complaint was filed, with regard to my wife, Elaine L. Reeves, on June 6, 2003, based upon the exact same newspaper article and others. That complaint number was MUR 5366 (Elaine L. Reeves).

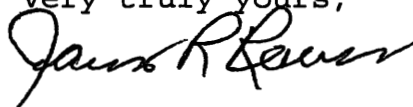
A response was filed to that complaint. That response is attached to this letter and should be considered as a portion of my response to this complaint.

A letter was received from the Federal Elections Commissioner dated April 29, 2004, stating that the commission found that "there was no reason to believe that my wife had violated the Act in this matter. Further, the Commission closed its file in this matter. (see attached letter)

Since these exact allegations have been investigated once by the Federal Elections Commission, and the matter resolved in my wife's favor, and the file closed without further action, it would be an abuse of due process to open a new investigation based upon the exact same allegations.

Please advise once you have reviewed this letter and the accompanying correspondence.

Very truly yours,



James R. Reeves
referred to as Thomas Reeves

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AFFIDAVIT OF JAMES R. REEVES
REFERRED TO AS THOMAS REEVES
MUR 5454

State of Florida
County of Hillsborough

Now comes, James R. Reeves, being first duly cautioned and sworn, who deposes and says as follows:

1. I made a contribution to the Edwards for President campaign because I freely chose to do so. I consider him to be an advocate for the issues I believe in. He supports the system of civil justice that I believe in.

2. My wife (Elaine L. Reeves) has worked at the firm of Wilkes & McHugh, P.A. for 19 years. She is the Office Manager for the main office in Tampa, Florida. I have not received, been offered, or expect to receive any reimbursement for my contribution to the Edwards for President campaign.

3. I have the resources to make the contribution I made to Senator Edwards.

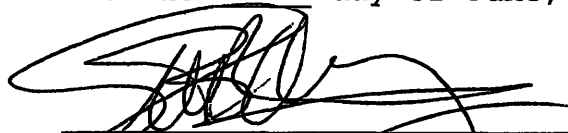
4. I am deeply concerned and offended that I am being asked to explain and justify my contribution. My personal assets as well as my reason for contributing to Senator Edwards should be kept confidential and private.

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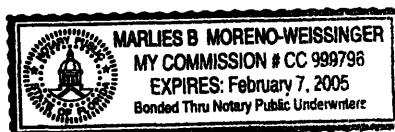


James R. Reeves
referred to as Thomas Reeves

SWORN TO and subscribed before me the _____ day of June, 2004.



Notary Public, State of Florida
My Commission Expires:



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